



OFFICIAL RESPONSES TO VENDOR QUESTIONS RFP-2018-DPHS-18-BUILD

| No. | Question | Answer |
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| 1. | Page 4 Section 1.1. Can a vendor establish a planning committee to review data related to all three health issues listed and make a decision to pursue intervention(s) for one of these health issues within their region based on the data and committee review? | No. Vendor proposals for the plan of action must address and specify one of the three health issues listed in section 1.1. |
| 2. | Page 5 Section 1.3. What date should the project timeline begin? | The project time line would begin when the contract is approved by the Governor and Executive Council, which is an unknown date, but no earlier than March 21 st . |
| 3. | Page 8 Section 3.2.4.3. and Section 3.2.7.3. The guidebook that the State provided to previous awardees of CHAP funding indicated some flexibility in the use of Evidence-Based Public Health strategies. Will there be acceptance for promising practices, for example CHAP focused on extreme precipitation and the limited options for Evidence-Based Public Health strategies found to address that specific focus area? | Yes. A vendor may choose to implement a promising practice. Any proposed practice must build upon existing knowledge and methods in the research literature, and include data collection that adds to the evidence base. See addendum 1, attachment 1 for a sample of the guidebook on climate adaptation. |
| 4. | Page 7 Section 3.2.1. Is there flexibility in the duration/activity for planning? Can Phase 1 take longer than six months? | No. The six month duration of Phase 1 is meant to keep the vendor projects on-time and on-budget. |
| 5. | Page 8 Section 3.2.5. How soon after the contract is approved will you have your first half day training? | The NH DHHS expects to have the first half-day training within 4 to 6 weeks of the contract being approved, and will give at least 3 weeks' notice before the training date. |
| 6. | Page 12 Section 4.2.1. What flexibility is available for the SFY18 and SFY19 funding and activities? Is there the potential to carry forward funding from SFY18 to SFY19? | Yes. Vendors are able to carry forward funds between the two fiscal years. RFP section 1.3 states the contract period, and the right to extend the contract. |
| 7. | Page 12 Section 4.2. Is there a requirement to spend a certain portion of the \$80,000 by June 30, 2018? | No. The NH DHHS expects each vendor to expend sufficient funds on a monthly basis in order to keep the project on-budget. |



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| 8. | Page 6 Section 2.2. The RFA indicates applications can only come from RPHNs. Does this mean only from the DHHS designated RPHN contractor? Or could another organization delegated by the RPHN contractor apply? Can the funds be wholly passed through to another entity? | Yes, only DHHS designated RPHNs can provide applications, and other organizations can not apply on their own. The funds cannot be wholly passed through, as the RPHN would need to monitor and manage the sub-contractor. As stated in Section 1.1, the goal is to strengthen capacity and coordination among public health system partners. |